

Purpose

To meet Federal and State requirements and to give the public an opportunity to participate in highway projects.

Policy

In order to promote public involvement in the highway program the Utah Department of Transportation will conduct public hearings or afford the opportunities for public hearings on highway projects where the project is on new location; where the project would have a substantially different social, economic, or environmental effects; or where the project would essentially change the layout or function of connecting roads or streets.

Uniform public hearing procedures will be established in such a manner to ensure that:

1. The public is given ample notification of each public hearing and such public hearing will be held at a time and place reasonably convenient to those concerned.
2. All interested persons have an opportunity to become acquainted with highway proposals of concern to them and to express their views at those stages of a proposed development when flexibility to respond to these views still exists.
3. The Utah Transportation Commission and the Utah Department of Transportation have had opportunity to consider the testimony or comments of any interested persons or groups.
4. The Utah Department of Transportation will prepare and distribute a transcript of the public hearing for the consideration of the Utah Transportation Commission and other interested individuals or agencies.